

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Hiroyuki MINEMURA  
Serial No.: 10/643,975  
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Title: INFORMATION REPRODUCING METHOD AND AN  
INFORMATION REPRODUCING DRIVE UTILIZING PRML TO  
OUTPUT BINARY VALUES  
Group: 2627  
Examiner: DANIELSEN, Nathan Andrew  
Confirmation No.: 4972

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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January 15, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

**Amendments** to the Claims begin on page 2;

**Remarks** are included beginning on page 6; and

**Authorization** is included on page 7.